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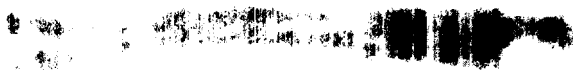
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BAKU ARMY MANEUVER AREA NAGDALI
(40-28-00N 049-33-00E)
BAKU, AZERBAIDZHANSKAYA SSR, USSR
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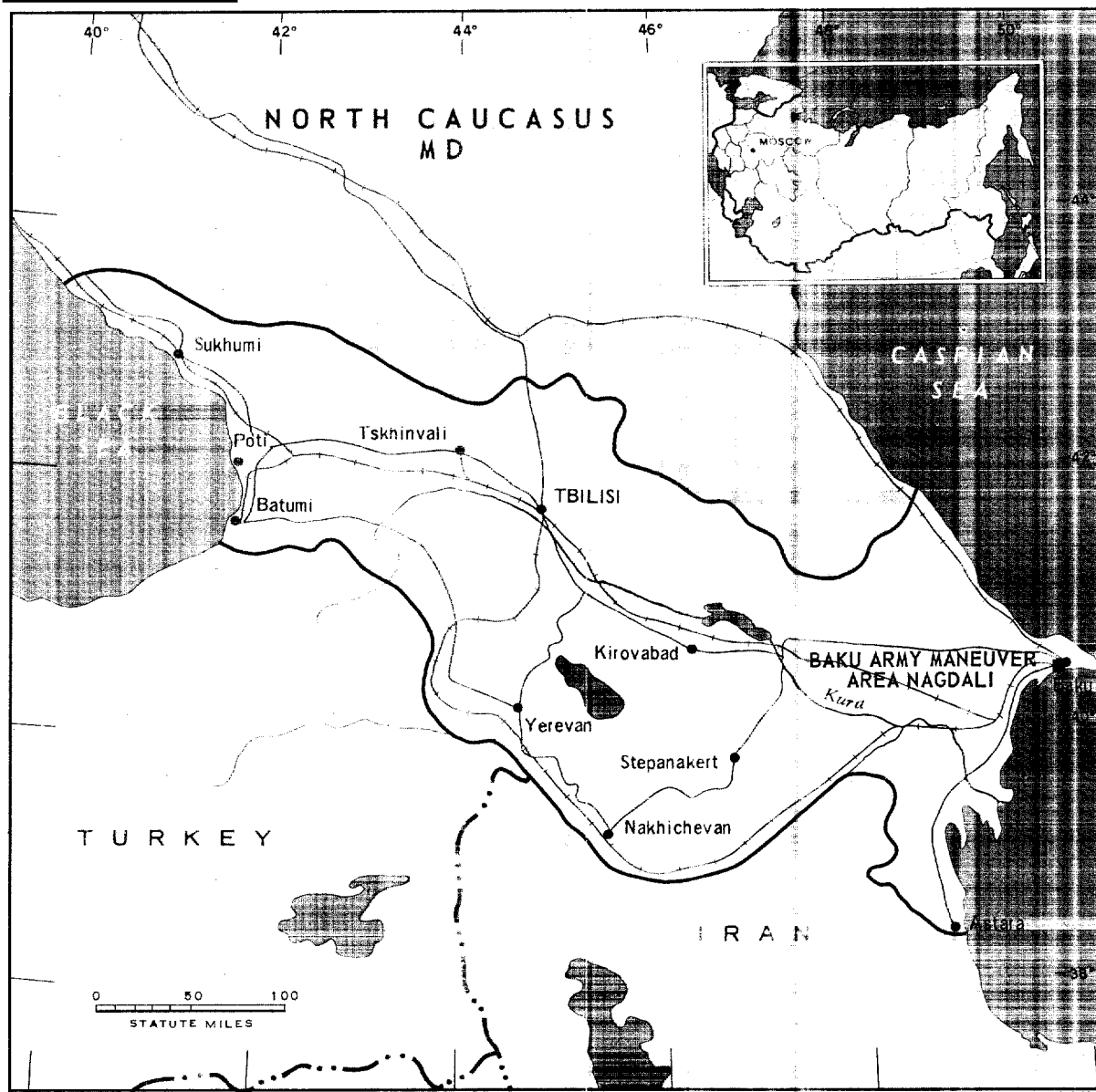


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF BAKU ARMY MANEUVER AREA NAGDALI.

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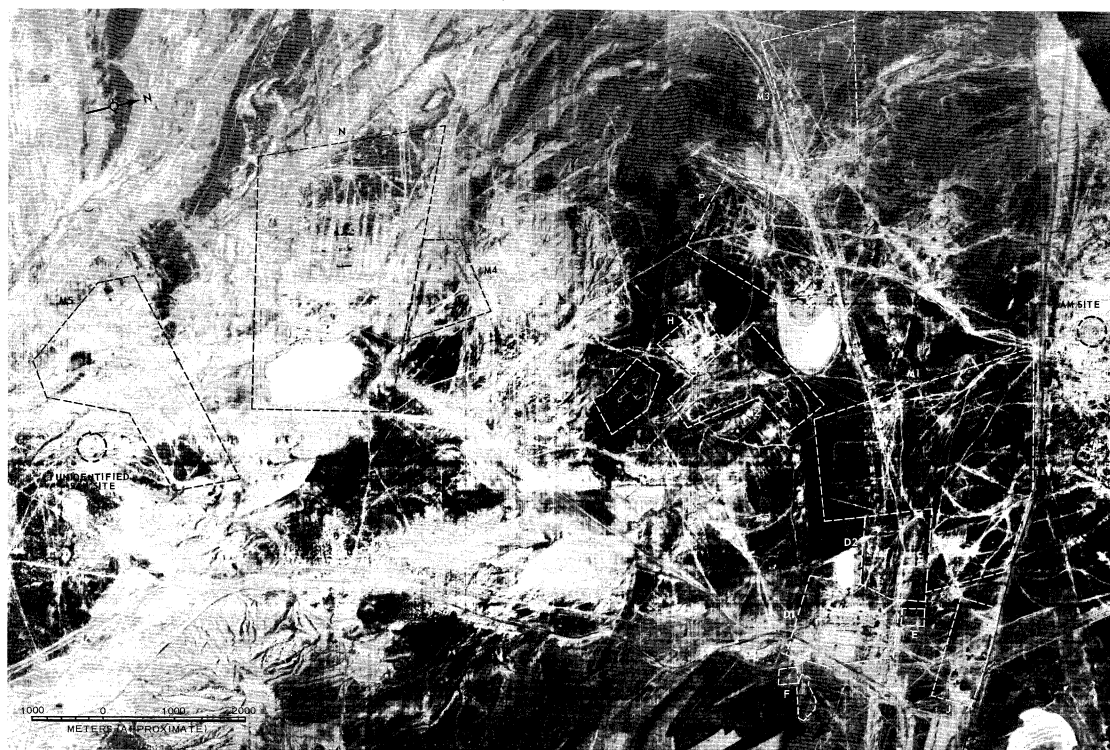


FIGURE 2. BAKU ARMY MANEUVER AREA NAGDALI, BAKU, USSR.

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SUMMARY

25X1A Baku Army Maneuver Area Nagdali is located approximately 25 kilometers (km) west of Baku (Figure 1), immediately south of Baku Sam Site B30-2. The facility measures approximately 14 km by 7 km and contains 2 administration and housing areas, a secured ammunition depot, 5 separate driver-training areas, a tank/assault-gun firing range, an APC flat-trajectory firing range, a general storage area, an equipment storage/maintenance facility, a small support area, and an unidentified site (Figures 2 and 3).

25X1D Comparative analysis of TALENT and KEYHOLE missions between 25X1D revealed increased activity with expansion in armored-vehicle training facilities. Major changes included:

1. Completion of 3 large barracks and several quarters (Area D) and 3 large buildings and 6 lanes for tracked vehicles (Area N) by 25X1D
2. Completion of a small support sector (Area H), a closed-circuit tracked-vehicle course (Area M5), and an area of unidentified activity (Area T) by 25X1D
3. Installation of an APC flat-trajectory firing range (Area P), a driver-training course (Area M2), and a rail line through the eastern side of the maneuver area by 25X1D
4. Completion of wheeled-vehicle driver-training courses (Areas M1 and M3) and 4 figure-8 courses (Area M2) by 25X1D
5. Completion of 5 moving targets and the probable abandonment of 3 original moving targets and 6 lanes for tracked vehicles (Area N) by 25X1D

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

A north-south rail line from Sumgait Station to Shongar passes through the eastern part of the installation.

Road Service

The Baku-Shemakha all-weather road and a network of secondary roads serve the area.

Aircraft Landing Strip

The Baku-Nagdali Airfield is located immediately north.

Administration and Troop Housing Areas

Area D1 contains 1 administration building, 3 large multistory barracks, 15 small single-story barracks, 2 storage buildings, 17 support buildings, 17 quarters, and a probable building under construction.

Area D2 is a bivouac area containing 1 ad-

ministration building and 35 support buildings. Numerous tents were observed in the area on 25X1D

General Storage Area

Area E is fenced and contains 3 storage and 2 support buildings.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F, in 2 separately fenced areas, contains 15 ammunition storage buildings (4 revetted) and 1 support structure.

Other Buildings

Area H, a support area, contains 1 storage building, 6 support buildings, and 1 possible water tank.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

Area J, a probable field maintenance area

and/or refueling station, contains 19 support buildings, 1 probable water tank, and open storage.

Driver-Training Areas

Area M1 is a wheeled-vehicle, closed-circuit course with 2 figure-8's, a cross-country course, and 9 support buildings.

Area M2 is a wheeled-vehicle, closed-circuit course with an irregular pattern of loop roads, 4 figure-8's, and 6 hardstands.

Area M3 is a wheeled-vehicle course with an irregular pattern of loop roads and a figure-8.

Area M4 is a small closed-circuit course (apparently used by wheeled- and tracked-vehicles) with an observation tower.

Area M5 is a large closed-circuit course (apparently used by heavy tracked vehicles) with an observation tower.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Ranges

Area N is a tank/assault-gun firing range area with 2 ranges. One is 4,700 feet long with six 2,700-foot lanes and 9 moving targets. Three additional moving targets are apparently abandoned. Three of the tank lanes are well scarred

and 3 are slightly used. The other range, probably used by smaller tracked vehicles, is 2,550 feet long with two 1,550-foot lanes and 2 moving targets.

An equipment park in the area contains 3 equipment/vehicle maintenance/storage buildings, 24 support buildings, 2 probable POL storage tanks, 2 possible water tanks, and 2 rows of unidentified equipment/vehicles parked in the open.

The tank firing range area also contains 3 range towers and 11 range support buildings.

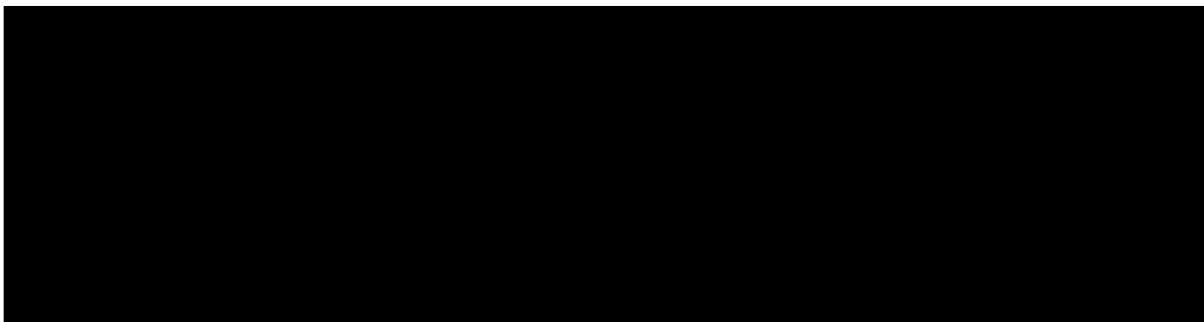
Flat-Trajectory Firing Ranges

Area P contains a 2,000-foot APC flat-trajectory firing range with 9 moving targets, several stationary firing positions, a control tower, and 13 range support buildings. In addition, 3 APC runs in the northeastern portion of the area near the lake appear to be abandoned and/or used to a very limited degree.

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